

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Notice of Allowance and Examiner's Amendment mailed on November 7, 2004. Applicants' undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for the courteous and productive telephone interview held on November 10, 2004.

In accordance with the telephone interview, new claims 57 and 58 are introduced to replace claims 4 and 13 that were inadvertently cancelled by the examiner. Since claims 4 and 13 were directed to additional species dependent on an allowed generic claim, the Applicants were entitled to consideration and allowance of these claims. Entry and allowance of new claims 57 and 58 is therefore respectfully requested.

When reviewing the claims in preparation of this Amendment, various minor errors and inconsistencies were noticed in some of the claims. Accordingly, Applicants' propose to amend claims 1, 6, 8 and 15. Review and entry of the proposed amendments by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 is amended to correct an inadvertent inconsistency. In particular, as previously written, recording of the program would continue "until receipt of the notifier." However, if the "predetermined amount of time" were to lapse *before* receipt of the notifier, then recording of the program would be terminated. The amendment to claim 1 clarifies that recording of the program is terminated at the first to occur of (i) lapsing of the predetermined amount of time, and (ii) receipt of the end of program notifier.

Claim 6 is amended to correct an obvious and inadvertent error, thereby providing proper antecedent basis.

Claim 8 is amended to reorder the existing text, thereby providing a more logical presentation of the claimed subject matter.

Claim 15 is amended to correct a minor typographical error.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the proposed amendments and to enter this Amendment under Rule 312 prior to issuance of the patent. If there are any remaining issues that need to be addressed in connection with this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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